

# **Stormwater Utility and Flood Mitigation Advisory Committee**

March 18, 2026 Meeting





# Tonight's Agenda

1. Welcome (6:30pm, 5 min)
2. Approval of minutes (6:35pm, 5 min, Katie)
3. Program update from City Staff (6:40pm, 60 min, City staff)
  - Large capacity projects: Commonwealth/Ashby/Glebe; Hooffs Run Culvert Bypass,
  - Combined sewer projects: Pitt & Gibbon
  - Spot Improvements
  - Sanitary sewer projects
  - Communications
  - Maintenance
4. Expenditures and budget commitments for CAG made since last meeting (7:40pm, 60 min, Jesse Maines)
5. Changes to the Flood Mitigation Grant Program to consider larger grants (8:40pm, 10 min, Jesse)
6. Public comment (8:50pm, 10 min)
7. Adjourn (9:00pm)



# Welcome remarks

AGENDA ITEM #1



# Approval of Minutes

AGENDA ITEM #2



# Program update from City Staff

AGENDA ITEM #3



# Flood Action Progress Report: CSS

- Nethergate (\$5M) CSO surcharge mitigation. 30% design was received in early December. The City has since received the National Park Service permit for utility investigation and geotechnical borings within the George Washington Memorial Parkway. Utility investigation is anticipated between approximately March 23 and April 8. Information gathered during this effort will be used to refine soil boring locations to support design of the proposed jack-and-bore culvert.

## Nethergate Storm Sewer Improvements

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/capital-projects/project/nethergate-storm-sewer-improvements>

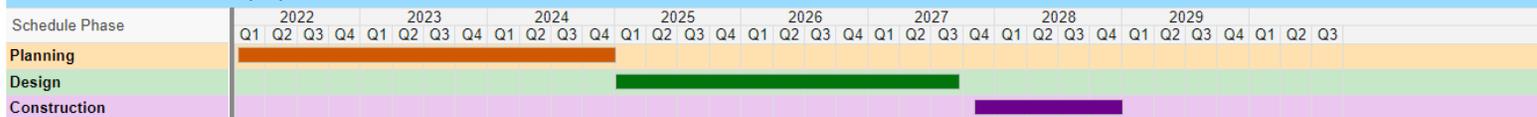
### Project Description

The purpose of this project is to mitigate flooding in the Nethergate Townhome community based on reports from residents after intense rainfall events. The project area is bound by Bashford Ln to the north, Second St. to the south, Portner Rd to the west and W Abingdon Dr to the east. As part of this project, the design team will analyze hydraulic capacity of the existing storm sewer, and develop alternatives to mitigate flooding.

### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Design  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$1,587,951.82  
**Funding Sources:** SSF

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)





# Flood Action Progress Report: Pitt and Gibbon and Hooffs Run Culvert Bypass Project

- Larger capital project concepts previously considered for these areas were determined to be infeasible or not sufficiently effective.
- Staff is currently evaluating potential updates to the existing flood mitigation grant program to better support property-level floodproofing measures.
- Current efforts are focused on reviewing existing data, assessing peer locality approaches, and evaluating the existing program framework.



# Flood Action Progress Report: Neighborhood Spot Projects

## Bellefonte Ave Storm Drain Improvements

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/capital-projects/project/bellefonte-avenue-storm-drain-improvements>

### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Design  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$1,564,869.29  
**Funding Sources:** SWU

### Project Description

The Bellefonte Avenue Storm Drain improvement project aims to improve the local storm drainage system along East Bellefonte Avenue and East Howell Avenue to convey the City's 10-year, 24-hour storm event. The project seeks to mitigate the impact of large storm events without worsening flooding elsewhere in the City. A federal grant application for a FY 2025 Community Directed Funding/Earmark grant administered through Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the amount of \$1,565,000 was submitted to fund this project.

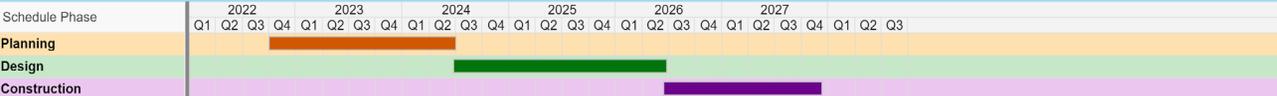
### ON-GOING

- Received 60% Design
- Continued 3<sup>rd</sup> party utility engagement
- Respond to public concerns

### FORECASTED

- Review 60% Design
- Continued 3<sup>rd</sup> party utility engagement

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)



## Clifford Ave, Fulton St. & Manning St. (CFM) Storm Sewer Improvements

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/capital-projects/project/clifford-avenue-fulton-street-and-manning-street-storm-sewer-improvements>

### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Design  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$831,630.00  
**Funding Sources:** SWU, HUD (Beyer)

### Project Description

The Clifford Avenue, Fulton Street and Manning Street (CFM) Storm Sewer Improvements Project will provide flooding mitigation to townhouses along the 3000 block of Fulton Street and Manning Street. The alley bound between the two streets will be re-built to channelize surface flow and improve drainage. Pervious pavement and underground storage will be installed to capture and attenuate stormwater runoff. Relocation of fiber conduit from the alley to Manning and Fulton streets is required prior to the start of construction. This project is supported by \$420,000 in grant funding from the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Project Fund.

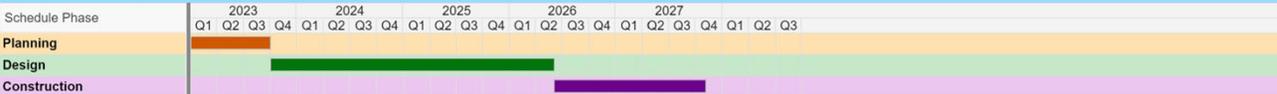
### ON-GOING

- Completed 100% design review
- Resolved need for fiber relocation to Manning street

### FORECASTED

- Receive final design
- Issue notice first construction notice
- Preparing public construction solicitation

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)





# Flood Action Progress Report: Neighborhood Spot Projects

## Edison St. Storm Sewer Upgrades

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/stormwater-management/edison-street-and-dale-street-early-phase>

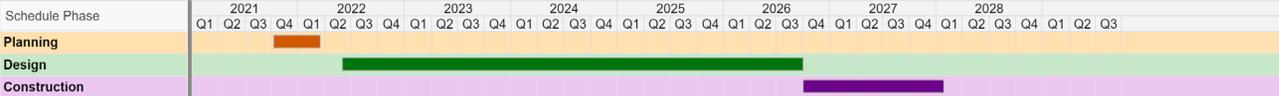
### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Design  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$979,000.00  
**Funding Sources:** SWU, CFPF

### Project Description

The Edison St. Storm Sewer Upgrades Project proposes to upgrade the storm sewer system capacity along the 3800 block of Edison Street to the outfall in Four Mile Run Park. Additional inlets are proposed along Edison Street to increase storm water capture. These storm sewer improvements are a portion of the future Large Capacity Project – Edison and Dale that have been accelerated upon receiving funding from Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) prior to the funding becoming available in FY 2026.

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)



### ON-GOING

- Project is approved for construction
- Monitoring utility relocation planning & progress
- Responding to public inquiries

### FORECASTED

- Gas relocation forecasted for June/July
- Water relocation to follow

## Four Mile Run and Hoofs Run Inlet Installation and Enhancement

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/capital-projects/project/four-mile-run-and-hoofs-run-inlet-installation-and-enhancement>

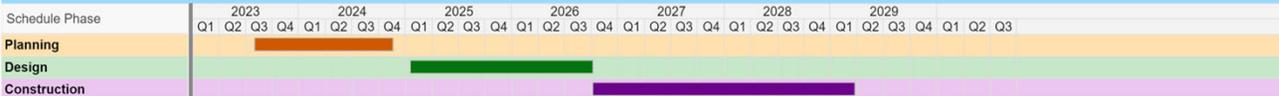
### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Design  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$1,584,100.00  
**Funding Sources:**

### Project Description

This project will focus on comprehensive analysis of the existing stormwater inlet capacity across Four Mile Run and Hoofs Run watersheds. By evaluating the capacity of existing stormwater inlets within these two watersheds, this project will provide recommendations on installing new inlets and upsizing existing ones to mitigate local flash floods and to enhance the overall conveyance efficiency of the storm sewer system. The project receives funding from the City's Stormwater Utility and the Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) grant.

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)



### ON-GOING

- Received 30% design
- Began 30% design review
- Continue utility coordination

### FORECASTED

- Complete 30% design review
- Continue utility coordination



# Flood Action Progress Report: Neighborhood Spot Projects

## Hume Ave Stormdrain Bypass

### ON-GOING

### FORECASTED

#### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/tes/hume-avenue-bypass-project>

#### Project Description

The Hume Avenue Storm Sewer Bypass Project will install storm sewer and inlets along the 100 block of Hume Avenue and E. Raymond Avenue. The addition of a new utility within each right-of-way requires the relocation of gas, electric, water and sanitary systems. On E. Raymond Avenue the sanitary sewer will be upgraded to a larger pipe in tandem with its re-location. Hume Avenue will be re-built to restore conveyance along the curb and gutter.

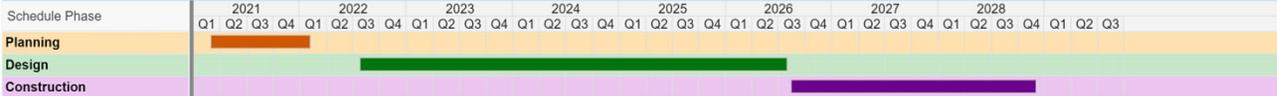
- Resolved final comments & awaiting final approval
- Monitoring utility relocation planning & progress
- Public meeting on 3/23

- Resolution of fiber conflicts by end of June
- Gas main relocation forecasted for July/August

#### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Design  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$5,090,289.00  
**Funding Sources:** SWU, ARPA

#### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)



## Mt Vernon and Edison Dual Culvert Replacement Project

### ON-GOING

### FORECASTED

#### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/stormwater-management/mount-vernon-dual-corrugated-metal-pipe-cmp-culvert-replacement-project>

#### Project Description

The project upgrades an existing Dual Corrugated Metal Pipe (CMP) culvert system to convey larger storm events, reducing the chance of surcharging in Mount Vernon Avenue. The project receives funding from the City's Stormwater Utility and a grant from the Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF).

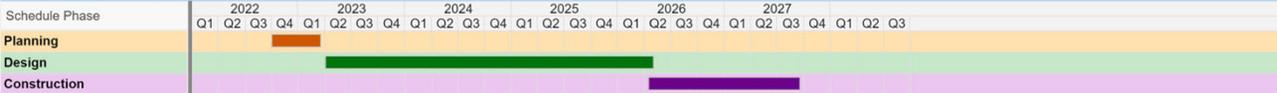
- Received 100% design
- Began 100% design review
- Negotiating temporary construction permissions

- Complete 100% design review
- Continue negotiating temporary construction permissions

#### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Design  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$2,500,000.00  
**Funding Sources:** SWU, CFPF

#### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)





# Flood Action Progress Report: Neighborhood Spot Projects

## Mt. Vernon Cul-de-sac Inlets and Alley Storm Sewer Improvements

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/capital-projects/project/mt-vernon-cul-de-sac-inlets-and-alley-storm-sewer-improvements>

### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Design  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$2,055,841.00  
**Funding Sources:** SWU, ARPA

### Project Description

The Mt. Vernon Cul-de-sac Inlets and Alley Improvements Project will provide flood mitigation for townhomes on the 100 block of Mt. Vernon Avenue. Inlets and runoff storage vaults will be installed on Mt. Vernon Avenue and its adjacent alleyway to capture runoff. The alleyway will be regraded to improve surface drainage into the downstream swale. The existing drinking water line will be relocated.

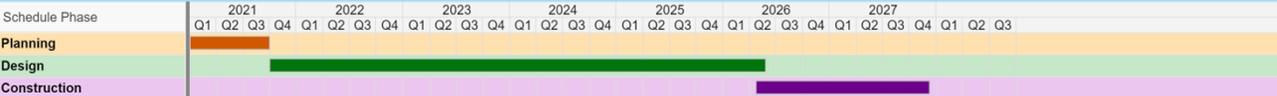
### ON-GOING

- Completed 90% design review
- Begin 100% design

### FORECASTED

- Receive 100% design
- Begin 100% design review
- Begin construction procurement planning

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)



## Valley Drive Storm Drain Improvements

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/capital-projects/project/valley-drive-storm-drain-improvements>

### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Design  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$3,879,999.29  
**Funding Sources:** SWU

### Project Description

The Valley Drive Storm Drain improvement project aims to improve the local storm drainage system, specifically targeting areas prone to flooding during the City's standard 10-year, 24-hour storm event along Valley Drive, Crestwood Drive, Summit Avenue, and Dogwood Drive. The project seeks to mitigate the impact of larger storm events while ensuring that improvements do not worsen flooding in other parts of the drainage system. Following City Council approval, staff is working on an application for a state Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) grant for a 60/40 match in the amount of \$2,160,000 with local Stormwater Utility funding of \$1,440,000 identified for the match.

### ON-GOING

- Completed 90% design
- Began 90% design review
- Continue 3<sup>rd</sup> party utility engagement

### FORECASTED

- Complete 90% design review
- Begin 100% design
- Finalize utility relocation design

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)





# Flood Action Progress Report: Neighborhood Spot Projects

## W. Reed Ave & Dale St Storm Sewer Improvements

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/stormwater-management/edison-street-and-dale-street-early-phase>

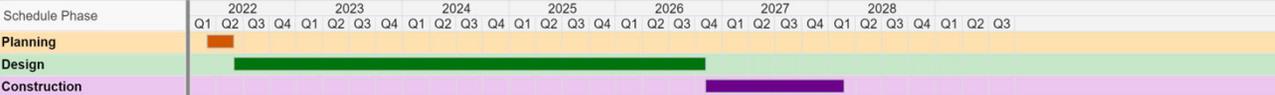
### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Design  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$2,230,000.00  
**Funding Sources:** SWU

### Project Description

W. Reed Ave & Dale St. Storm Sewer Improvements Project proposes new inlets and storm sewer along the 100 block of W. Reed Ave and capacity improvements along the downstream system to the outfall in Four Mile Run Park. These storm sewer improvements are a portion of the future Large Capacity Project – Edison and Dale that have been accelerated with Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) prior to the funding becoming available in FY 2026.

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)



### ON-GOING

- Received final design approval
- Negotiating temp. construction permissions
- Preparing for public meeting
- Begin construction procurement

### FORECASTED

- Water main relocation begins June
- Gas main relocation begins August
- Host Public meeting 4/7
- Post construction solicitation

# Flood Action Progress Report: New Neighborhood Spot Project – Buddie Ford Outfall

## Buddie Ford Outfall and Staircase Rehabilitation

### Project Webpage

TBD

### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Design  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$0.00  
**Funding Sources:** TBD

### Project Description

This project involves stabilizing the storm sewer outfall draining the Buddie Ford Nature Center Parking lot. The outfall is located near the top of a steep slope in a wooded area. There is undercutting beneath the outfall structure and concrete apron, and the soil has eroded down to bedrock downstream of the headwall. The project will involve the installation of a new drop manhole and outfall structure at the bottom of the slope, along with a stilling basin or plunge pool at the new outlet to mitigate erosion from outlet velocities. The nearby staircase will be revitalized, and its design will follow National Park Service and Forest Service standards.

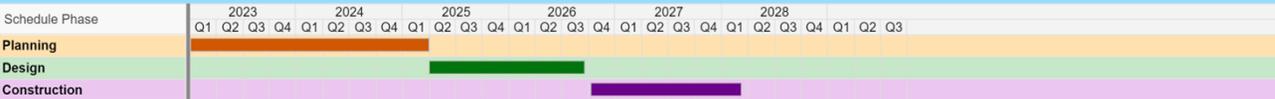
### ON-GOING

- Received design proposal
- Began fee negotiations
- Identified project risks

### FORECASTED

- Receive updated proposal scope and fee

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)



# Flood Action Progress Report: New Neighborhood Spot Project – Skyhill Road

## Skyhill Rd. Stormdrain Extension

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/capital-projects/project/skyhill-road-stormdrain-extension>

### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Planning  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$350,000.00  
**Funding Sources:** SWU

### Project Description

Identified through neighborhood investigations and resident meetings in response to repeated flooding in the West Taylor Run area, this project addresses approximately 700 feet of Skyhill Road where stormwater currently flows without curb inlets and ponds at Janney's Lane. At present, a single 15-inch pipe connects to the 18-inch system but is too small to handle the flow, leading to intersection flooding and overflow onto nearby properties. The project will add midblock curb inlets and upsized the pipe at the Janney's Lane tie-in to improve drainage, reduce flooding, and enhance roadway safety under Flood Action Alexandria's Spot Improvements CIP.

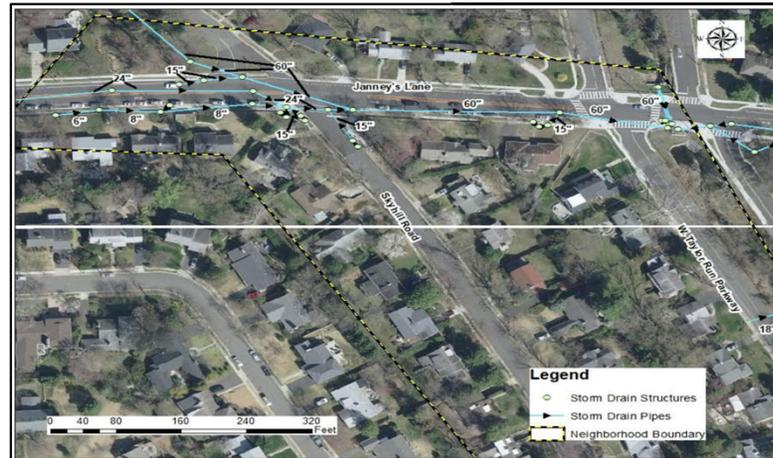
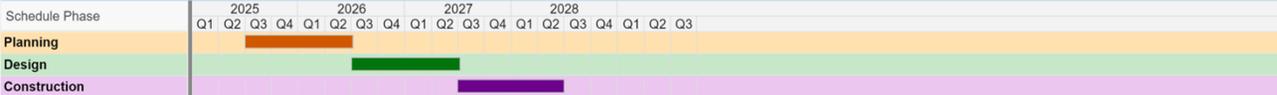
### ON-GOING

- Project initiation including scoping, risk review, and assigning roles and responsibilities

### FORECASTED

- Complete project initiation
- Begin proposal request development

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)



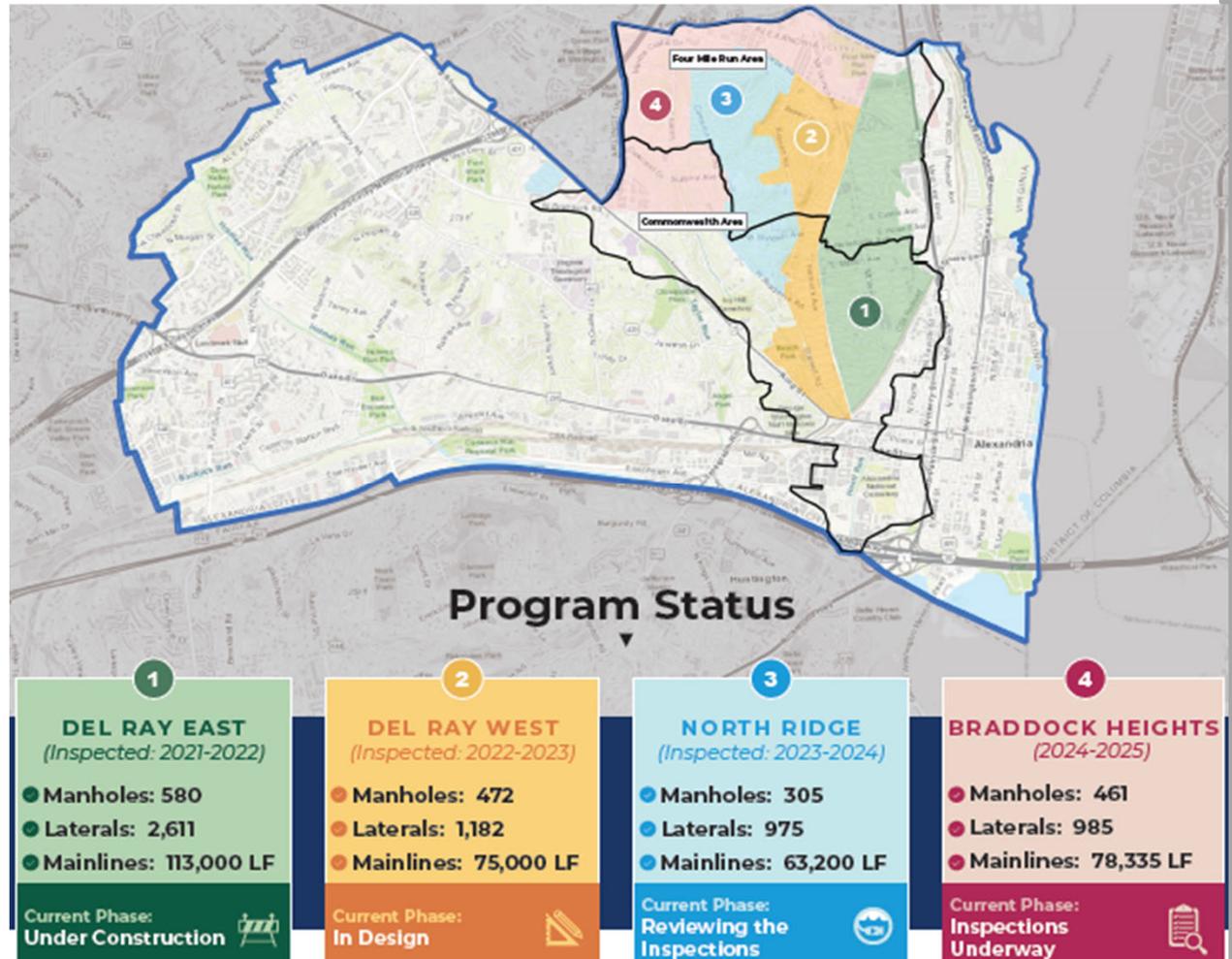
# Sanitary Sewer Projects

- **Del Ray East Lateral Rehab:**

- ITB issued, bids received, contract to be awarded late March/early April
- Construction Spring 2026

- **Del Ray West Rehab:**

- Includes manholes, mainlines and lateral sewers
- 100% design submitted March 6, final signature set April 2026
- Construction Summer 2026



# Sanitary Sewer Backup Mitigation Projects

## Sanitary Sewer Capacity Upsizing Project No. 1

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/capital-projects/project/sanitary-sewer-capacity-up sizing-project-no-1>

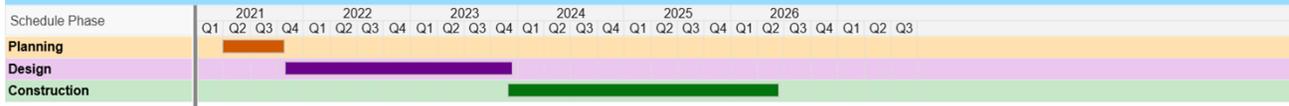
### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Construction  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$2,725,346.24  
**Funding Sources:** Sanitary Sewer

### Project Description

This project provides for upsizing of existing sanitary sewer pipes located at five (5) project sites. The project sites include the following: East Alexandria Avenue, Ashby Street, East Oak Street, East Walnut Street, and East Maple Street. This work is being undertaken to help mitigate sanitary sewer backups that occur as a result of significant wet weather.

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)



### ON-GOING

- Final punch list items being completed
- Project being closed out

### FORECASTED

- N/A

## 600 Block of N Columbus Street Sewer Separation Project

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/capital-projects/project/600-block-of-north-columbus-street-sewer-separation-project>

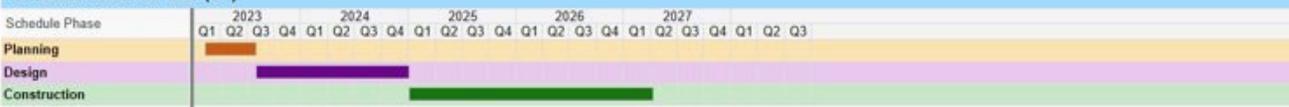
### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Construction  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$1,001,913.28  
**Funding Sources:** Sanitary Sewer

### Project Description

This project is a sewer separation project at 600 Block of N Columbus Street where the sanitary sewer is being disconnected from the combined sewer system and reconnected to a fully separated sanitary sewer. This project is being undertaken to mitigate the potential for sewer basement backups from the combined sewer being over capacity during periods of significant wet weather.

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)



### ON-GOING

- Construction started Dec 1
- Sewer work completed
- Curb and gutter installation ongoing

### FORECASTED

- Project close out

# Sanitary Sewer Backup Mitigation Projects

## Madison St and N St Asaph St Sewer Replacement

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/capital-projects/project/madison-street-and-north-saint-asaph-street-sewer-replacement>

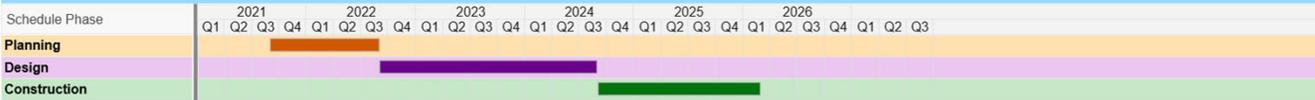
### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Construction  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$500,000.00  
**Funding Sources:** Sanitary Sewer

### Project Description

This project includes upsizing of the existing combined sewer and stormwater conveyance improvements at the intersection of Madison and N Saint Asaph Streets. This project is being done to help mitigate flooding in the intersection and flooding onto neighboring properties.

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)



### ON-GOING

- Construction started Nov 3
- Substantial completion walkthrough March 17

### FORECASTED

- Complete punch list items
- Close out project

## 400 Block Wolfe St Sanitary Sewer Upsizing

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/sewers/400-block-of-wolfe-street-sanitary-sewer-upsizing-project>

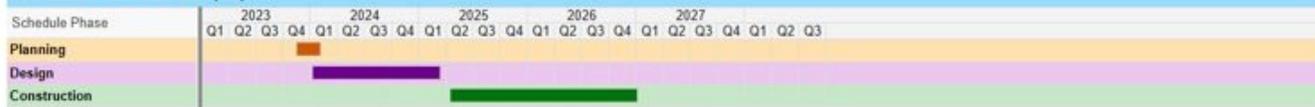
### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Construction  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$1,667,900.00  
**Funding Sources:** Sanitary Sewer

### Project Description

This project calls for the planning, design and construction of an upsized sewer network along the 400 block of Wolfe Street in the Old Town combined sewershed. This project was initiated in response to multiple sewer backups that have occurred during periods of wet weather.

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)



### ON-GOING

- Construction started Jan 5
- Sewers have been installed
- Manhole installation ongoing

### FORECASTED

- Construction completion by July 2026



# Sanitary Sewer Backup Mitigation Projects

## Colonial Avenue Sewer Separation Project

### Project Webpage

<https://www.alexandriava.gov/sewers/colonial-avenue-sewer-separation-project>

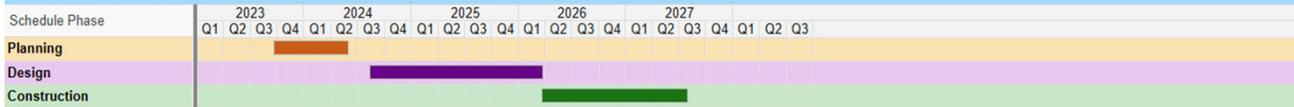
### Project Description

The Colonial Ave Sewer Separation project consists of separating the existing sanitary sewer from the combined sewer system and connecting it to a fully separate sanitary sewer. This project is being undertaken to mitigate the potential for sewer backups during significant wet weather.

### Project Information

**Current Phase:** Design  
**Total Planned Budget:** \$1,678,104.00  
**Funding Sources:** Sanitary Sewer

### Schedule - Calendar Year (CY)



### ON-GOING

- 100% design submitted Dec 2025 – requires minor revisions

### FORECASTED

- Design completion late March/early April

# Communications

January 21 – March 16, 2026

- 8 Total Flood Action/ Stormwater social media posts
  - *Taylor Run Infrastructure Stabilization Project, Flood Resilience Plan, MWEE, SWU Credit, Flood Action Alexandria Newsletter, National Stormwater Day*
- Impressions: 534,826 increased by 690.4%
- Engagements: 18,276 increased by 577.9%
- Post link clicks: 1,854 increased by 370.6%
  - \*Compared to January 21 – March 16, 2026
- 6,672 Stormwater Management webpage views
  - \*86 total pages under Stormwater Management web group
- Average engagement rate: 45.39%, Average events per session: 3.96
- Most popular stormwater webpages:
  - [Flood Map](#) 616 views
  - [Stormwater Utility Fee](#) 599 views
  - [Flood Action Alexandria](#) 411 views
  - [Stormwater Management](#) 397 views
  - [Types of Sewer Systems](#) 339 views
  - [Sanitary Infrastructure](#) 320 views
  - [Stormwater Utility Fees and Credits for Residential Properties](#) 295 views
  - [Watersheds](#) 199 views
  - [Flood Mitigation Grant Program](#) 184 views
  - [Commonwealth, Ashby, Glebe Flood Mitigation Project](#) 159 views



# Communications

## Upcoming Communications Priorities

- Taylor Run Infrastructure Meeting on March 26
- Continue project updates
- Flood Action Newsletter goes out in April
- Earth Month

# Flood Resilience Plan

- The City has completed approximately 80% of the Flood Resilience Plan.
  
- A hybrid public engagement event is scheduled for April 16 at the Charles Houston Recreation Center.
  - Informational meeting with Q&A session
  - Review of what has been done and a high-level overview of programmatic and policy recommendations to be included in the FRP
  
- Current projected timeline:
  - June: Public comment period on draft FRP
  - July – September: Council review period
  - September: Completion of FRP

# Maintenance Activities

- Hooffs Run Culvert Top Slab Reconstruction in the Park between East Walnut and East Oak Street – Phase II
- The contractor is developing their proposal and pricing.
- Park and tennis courts will be closed during the construction period.
- Notifications will go out two weeks before the commencement of the construction.
- Neighborhood meeting is being scheduled for early April.
- Construction is anticipated to start in Spring 2026.
- Project duration: 6-8 months, depending on the weather.



# Maintenance Activities

- Citywide Storm Sewer CCTV and Cleaning Program:
  - Initiated program in June 2025
  - Goal: Complete 1-2 watersheds per year
  - Four Mile Run Watershed – 97% complete
  - Four storm sewer repairs were completed in March.
  - Reviewing CCTV and developing repair packages.

## SWU Credit Program

- The application window opens December 1st and ends February 15th.
  - 2-year Credit Cycle
  - 50% Credit Rebate
  - 20+ different eligible practices
- Statistics from this year's credit cycle
  - No. Of Applicants: 126 applications
    - Some are HOAs, 1 HOA accounts for over 1600 properties
  - Credits: ~\$47,000/yr of credits given out during this cycle





# Committee's review of the FY2027 stormwater CIP

AGENDA ITEM #4



## Question 1: Is the City's investment in stormwater mitigation directed to the most urgent problems?

### **Factual Analysis of proposed FY 27-36 CIP:**

1. The most flood prone areas are neighborhoods:
  - Commonwealth, Ashby & Glebe
  - Hooff's Run
  - Pitt & Gibbon
  - Nethergate
  - Braddock & West
2. The CAG Project has begun utility relocation, there have been public meetings, total budget\* increased by \$15M in FY26
3. Multiple mid-size projects underway at Clifford, Edison, Manning, along Commonwealth, and Nethergate.
4. Hooff's Run Bypass project total budget\* increased by \$8M to \$60M
5. Pitt & Gibbon project total budget\* reduced from \$28M to \$4M as no solution is found

\* "total budget" is defined as funds appropriated to-date plus future funding level proposed in FY27-36 CIP

### **Observation:**

1. The Annual Capital Budget for FY2026 proposes \$22.3M for stormwater projects
2. That is considerably less than the \$47.9M proposed for FY2026 in last year's CIP (note: \$52million is planned for FY2028)
3. This is because the larger projects are taking longer to get started thus significant unexpended funds (i.e. 68% unexpended as of 9/30/2024)
4. Nonetheless, overall capital budget for FY2027-36 period remains high -- \$230 million not including \$107 million appropriated but unexpended as of 9/20/2024.

### **Discussion:**

***What is the opinion of the Committee?***



## Question 2: Is the City making sufficient progress in addressing the problem?

### **Factual Analysis of Project Status:**

1. *Solid and steady progress with Spot Projects:*
  - 14 projects completed
  - 14 projects in active design or construction
  - 4 not started yet
2. *Better maintenance of culverts and sanitary system has created tangible improvements:*
  - Hooff's Run culvert repair and cleaning
  - Sanitary sewer rehab in Del Ray & Rosemont about half-done: 200,000 ft of mainline sewers, 1,000 manholes and 3,700 laterals to be inspected and rehabbed
3. *CAG project: design complete, utility relocations underway, construction contract to be bid with next 12 months*
4. *Nethergate project at 30% design completion*
5. *Hooff's Run Bypass project appears to be considerably more complex than originally thought – expect delays*

### **Observation:**

1. *Alexandria residents are seeing actual progress – spot projects being completed and big projects being designed and publicly presented.*
2. *The big projects are more complex and will take longer to complete than originally thought.*
3. *(my opinion) There is a limit to the number of big projects that can be managed concurrently.*
4. *In sum – We should start to think of the Flood Action program as on-going – not a fixed 10-year set of projects.*

### **Discussion:**

***What is the opinion of the Committee?***



### Question 3: Are planned expenditures adequate to address the stormwater flooding problem?

#### **Factual Analysis of Budgets and Project Status:**

1. As design is finalized, the CAG Project illustrates the true cost of the big projects: In the FY23 budget, (ie before design) the project was estimated at \$39M. Now that design is complete, project is estimated at \$64M.
2. There is an unobligated balance of \$107M of SW funds as of 9/30/2024 (most current data). The construction program is moving slower than the funds generated each year by the SW fee.
3. The Hooff's Run Bypass project will probably cost more than the \$60M estimated -- AND may be difficult to justify in light of the number of homes that will benefit
4. This is important: the SW Fee has increased at exactly 5% per year from FY 2023 to FY2027. NONETHELESS, the City proposes 6.5% to 7.5% annual increases starting in FY2028.

#### **Observation:**

1. We need to acknowledge that completing the big capacity producing projects of the Flood Action program will require more than 10 years.
2. We also need to acknowledge that some parts of Alexandria may continue to experience flooding – even after the projects are complete.
3. We should consider some form of relief for those homeowners and businesses who may never see relief from flooding
4. We should consider a stable and predictable fee for financing the Flood Action program over a longer timeframe.

#### **Discussion:**

***What is the opinion of the Committee?***



# Changes to the Flood Mitigation Grant Program to consider larger grants

AGENDA ITEM #5

## Flood Mitigation Grant Program

- Reimbursed a total of \$1,233,793.60 since July 2021 inception.
- In FY2026: 17 approved applications, reimbursed \$56,705.68.
- FY2025: Approved 85 applications, reimbursed \$186,240.69.
- FY2024: Approved 101 applications, reimbursed \$235,145.16.
- FY2023: Approved 73 applications, reimbursed \$167,538.49.
- FY2022: Approved 148 applications, reimbursed \$588,163.58.



# Public comments

AGENDA ITEM #6



# Adjourn

AGENDA ITEM #7